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Amendment to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (previously presented): A voice communication system configured for routing calls from multiple users to circuit switched or packet switched resources, the system comprising:

a hub in communication with at least one circuit switched channel, at least one packet switched channel, and a plurality of user devices, wherein at least two of said plurality of devices or users of said devices have a priority associated therewith such that calls at said devices or by said users have an associated priority;

a controller operable to select one of the circuit switched channel and the packet switched channel for connection with one of the user devices, and dynamically switch between the packet switched channel and the circuit switched channel; and

a routing device operable to route the call from the user device to the selected channel;

wherein the controller is configured to switch a low priority call from the circuit switched channel to the packet switched channel so that the circuit switched channel is available for a high priority call.

Claim 2 (original): The system of claim 1 wherein the controller is configured to select the circuit switched channel if available.

Claim 3 (original): The system of claim 1 wherein the controller is configured to select the channel based on cost of the call.

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Claim 4 (original): The system of claim 1 wherein the controller is configured to select the channel based on a status of a user placing the call.

Claim 5 (original): The system of claim 1 further comprising a digital subscriber line operating as a transmission media for the circuit switched channel and the packet switched channel.

Claim 6 (original): The system of claim 5 wherein the digital subscriber line is an XDSL.

Claim 7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein said plurality of user devices comprises computers and telephones.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein at least one of the user devices is a wireless device.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein at least one of said plurality of user devices is configured to utilize voice over Internet protocol.

Claims 11-28 (canceled).

Claim 29 (previously presented): The system of claim 1 wherein the hub is interposed between said plurality of user devices and the packet switched and circuit switched networks.

Claim 30 (previously presented): The system of claim 29 wherein the controller is located in the hub.